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Mr. Gorman at Headquarters.

The presence of Mr. Gorman at democratic headquarters in an advisory capacity recalls a bit of history.

In 1896, after Senator Jones of Arkansas had been selected to conduct the democratic campaign, it was suggested that Mr. Gorman would be a good man to assist the chairman. He and Mr. Jones had served for years together in the Senate, and were on very friendly terms. They were not in agreement as to the more important national policies. Mr. Jones being a free silver man and a low tariff advocate, while Mr. Gorman was a gold standard man and a protectionist. Still, as reported had Mr. Jones was anxious to have Mr. Gorman associated with him in the campaign, and Mr. Gorman was willing to accept the place.

The decision rested with Mr. Bryan, and he vetoed the suggestion. He was in the first bloom of his beauty and power, and had the courage of both his convictions and his prejudices. He did not like Mr. Gorman. He conceded his ability, but questioned his democracy. As one who had helped to prepare the Wilson tariff bill, and was at that time a militant free trader, Mr. Bryan could not forgive the man who as the democratic leader in the Senate had put that measure through what, in the vernacular, is called "a course of sprouts." So, as the candidate objected to the suggestion to call him to democratic headquarters, Mr. Gorman confined his activities to Maryland, which responded with a large majority for McKinley and Hobart.

Judge Parker, as we see, sets up no inquisition. Both Mr. Gorman and Mr. Jones as campaign assistants are agreeable to him, and both are now at work side by side for the democratic ticket. They have not changed their opinions about national issues, but as both want to win, and as the candidate wants to win, and as success at the polls is now the leading issue, both are at work for Judge Parker, as it was desired both should work for Mr. Bryan. Mr. Gorman, it is not unfair to point out, takes no risk. The Parker campaign has up to this time shown little life. If it does not improve it will be said by Mr. Gorman's admirers that things were so desperate that not even his capable hands could redeem them. If the campaign does improve, and particularly if victory is achieved, Mr. Gorman's admirers will date the turn of the tide from the hour of his arrival in New York, and render homage to him for the party's salvation.

The Ant and the Weevil.

Is the Antennae ant a false alarm? Is he a coward-hearted bug? Are his antennae as harmless as the fuzzy whiskers on the back of a lame caterpillar? Are his mandibles as weak as the broken wing of a paralytic butterfly? Is he a turtle-trove of insects? Is light instead of fight his habit? Why, with all his threats against the boll weevil, does he not make good? The craven heterogenous hymenopterous insect!

He came to this land to hunt weevils. He was bursting with a passion that he would not be calmed till he had planted his forefeet upon the prostrate form of every boll weevil between the Rio Grande and the unsalted seas. He swore by his feelers that he would drive the weevil into the sea and swim in after him. He was to be a regular dare-devil of an insect.

The braugant ant! He came with such airs as a tarantula would put on. He would go down how no centipede would dare to tread. And the result? The boll weevil is puncturing bolls at the same old stand.

It may be noted that though the weevil is of Mexican descent many generations of him have been born in Texas. The weevil has acquired some Texas habits, and is probably quite self-reliant in the matter of combat. When the ant started from Guatemala with the idea of driving the weevil from the United States he may not have understood that the weevil was a Texan.

It is said that every time one of these imported, swaggering ants finds a boll weevil looking at him over a gun-sight he asks his prospective pillboxers to carry him back to his native ant hills.

A number of politicians regard the assurance that a candidate will do his best to abolish graft not as a promise, but as a threat.

The Japanese are amazed at Russia's stupidity in not knowing when it is surrendering time.

If Kuropatkin really desires to get even with Alexieff he might resign in his favor.

The Philippines Contented.

This is accredited to W. N. Swartout, who was one of the Philippine delegates to the democratic national convention.

In reviewing the speech of acceptance of President Roosevelt as a means of attacking the policy of the administration in the Philippines the September issue of the "Literature" states that the republican convention ignored the petition signed by seven thousand citizens, including college presidents and professors, clergymen and other eminent professional men, who asked that the Philippines should be assured of independence finally to give them their political independence. If the editor of "Current Literature" would keep posted on Philippine affairs he would not make the mistake of imagining that he is helping the Filipino by assisting in the "independence" agitation now going on in the United States.

"I would call his attention to the fact that seventy times seven thousand Filipinos have petitioned that they be permitted to ally with the United States under a territorial form of government. This great aggregation, called the Philippine Republic, represents the solid, educated and responsible body of the Filipino people, and its spokesmen, Commissioner Pardo de Tavera, in speech before the New York chamber of commerce, in which he referred to the final settlement of the Philippine question, said: 'But all the Filipinos ask is that when the time comes to take action that action shall not be taken without consulting the people of the islands.'"

the honor of the flag. The people of the United States resented the attacks on the army, and they had to cease.

Now the solitude is for the people of this country. The Filipinos may go home. They are agitated, and the best of the anti-imperialists is the fear that we are hurting ourselves by holding on to the islands. Our institutions will be transformed, and maybe the country wrecked, by the adoption of a colonial policy. Let us save ourselves while it is yet time. Turn the islands over to the natives, and let them set up the sort of government that suits them. What suits them should suit us.

The truth, however, is as Mr. Swartout states it. The better class of the Filipinos—the people who have contrasted the American rule with the Spanish rule—are anxious for us to stay in the islands. They see and appreciate the advance made under the stars and stripes, and are figuring upon no flag of their own. As for the American people, they have no fear of losing their own liberty while giving liberty to others.

"Universal" Languages.

Another "universal" language has come into print just to call a slight ripple of comment and then to pass on.

It is true these "languages" have never had a fair chance to succeed. How can a "universal" language become universal if nobody wants to learn it, and nobody could be found to understand it if anybody could speak it?

There is something heroic in these "universal" languages. They are dauntless. One marches up to take the public by storm. It is felled. Then another takes its place to be repulsed. And so, marching to the slaughter, they follow in fearless, fatal succession.

The latest of these "languages" to come to the front is Teutonic, an invention of Mr. Molee, an American. The first recorded attempt at the manufacture of an entire language was made by an Irishman in 1641. This, however, is not conclusive proof that the need of a new language was first felt in Ireland. Many manufactured words have been found useful, but in the manufacture of whole languages there has been an excess of output over demand. In fact, judging from the literary style and oratorical methods of some men the public knows, there are already too many words.

The invented language of the 1641 Irishman was called "Mercury." Perhaps it was called Mercury because some of the words were winged words or were stolen from other languages. Since "Mercury," among the ready-made languages, there have been "Paslalle," "Solesoldomido," "Gengraphia," "Pantodilmon-glossa," "Lingualumina," "Blaia Zimendal," "Volapuk," "Paslingua," "Chabe Abane," "Kosmos," "Wilsona," "Esperanto," "Bapaf," "Oidapa," "Spoulin," "Anglo-Franca," "Myrana," "Universala," "Communia," "Bolak" and "Dilpak."

Though a knowledge of Teutonic would probably be as useless as any knowledge could be (and on that ground would commend itself), it is not likely to be immediately introduced as a study in the public schools of any of our great cities.

The Horse is Learning.

The horse is getting wise. He always was intelligent, but he has learned many things in the last few years. A really successful horse today must know a great many things not essential to those olden times when a horse was a mere beast of burden or a ride up and down stairs on an elevator and did not have their hair cut by electricity.

A horse to have a career today must not only have horse-sense, but he must be acquainted with the ways of the world. He must be a "horse-of-the-world" or a "horse-about-town." If he is permitted to paraphrase those hard-worn phrases "man-of-the-world" and "man-about-town." Nearly every horse is becoming an educated horse. During the last few years the horse has been taking a course in the study of automobiles, and already he has a very good understanding of the subject. Time was when a horse would forget his spavins, sore shoulders or quarter-crack and would jump a six-bar gate at sight of one of these monsters. Now he can walk up to an auto, look it in the lamps and sniff its evil breath without breaking a trace or kicking in the dashboard. He can now meet one of these benzine-buggies on a city road and a dark night with a throwing either a fit or his rider. The time may be coming when the horse and the auto will sleep in the same stable and drink from the same bucket.

There was the trolley car. A few years ago it was the abomination of every horse. Now the horse has learned to love it. Some of them have learned to climb and throw either a fit or his rider. The time may be coming when the horse and the auto will sleep in the same stable and drink from the same bucket.

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Jerome.

It is urged in behalf of the nomination of Mr. Jerome for governor of New York that he has valuable material affecting the Odel management and the state's affairs which he would use with telling effect against the republicans. Why should not this material be at the democracy's service in any event? Why could not Mr. Jerome make use of it as a candidate for some other office on the ticket, or as a citizen stumping for his party? If it is what we are asked to believe it should be effective in anybody's hands. Mr. Jerome as a whistler ranks high, but it is a question whether a campaign with Tammany as the topic could be duplicated with anything or anybody else in the state as the topic. And it would be funny, to say the least of it, to hear Mr. Jerome appealing for support to the men whom he helped turn out of office. In the matter of the state's affairs the most corrupt set who had ever held office in the city of New York. Mr. Hill wants Mr. Stanchfield, and may get him.

It is only natural that ex-Chief of Police Byrnes of New York should think that the criminals of that city are more active and audacious than when he was in authority.

The youth of the country will soon be compelled to read about the Trojan war when it would prefer to be getting the latest news from Port Arthur.

Lieutenant Peary thinks of making one more trip to the polar regions. When a man has explored the world's exploration habit it is very hard to swear off.

The welcome season is not very far distant when the drinking water will have to be thawed instead of boiled.

Russian officials are probably reflecting that it is better to have a ship dismantled than sunk.

It is a pleasure to be able to regard Colorado as pacified territory.

There is no balm in the high price of cotton for one Mr. Sully.

News That News.

The newspaper is sometimes exactly what its name signifies—a news-paper. Two new things came to light in the news today, and each is news. One is the "subway throat." It is said to be a new malady which threatens travelers and workers in the New York subway. Its symptoms are an unpleasant odor and an irritating tickle at the larynx. "Motormen and conductors" who have worked in the subway only for the last few days," says the news item, "complain particularly of the trouble." It is perhaps a little strange that the malady has not been observed before, for men have

been working in the subway for several years. But it remained for the motormen and conductors to make the discovery. They say "it is attributable to the time in the air in the tunnel, and possibly also to the gas generated by some steam locomotives."

A few months ago accounts of calisson disease, or the "bends," figured prominently in news columns. Another new disease is "speed-madness." Then there is the "auto-freak." When the wheel was the vogue we had the "cycle-freak" and the "bicycle-hump."

Progress has its penalties. The other new thing that comes as news is an account of a photographic-telephone, photo-phone, or something of that kind. An Oregon genius is reported to have invented a device by which a person at one end of the telephone may see the person at the other end.

Colleges will never warp the feminine instinct until they can persuade a woman to take more interest in the Greek grammar than she does in the fashion page.

The Chicago prediction that wheat will be worth \$2 a bushel promises larger holes than ever through the loaf of baker's bread.

President Roosevelt confidently expects the election to give special significance to his Thanksgiving proclamation.

The Japanese fearlessness of death is not remarkable in a nation that has so long encouraged the practice of hara-kiri.

Tom Watson is not hampered by the necessity of seeing to the judicious expenditure of a large campaign fund.

SHOOTING STARS.

Prudence.

"Why do you begin to laugh the moment you pick up that comic journal?" "Because," answered the cynical person, "I have to laugh to get my money's worth. And I never feel like it after I get through reading it."

No Longer Impressed.

"This radium is a wonderful metal," said Mrs. Cornstossel. "Costs about a million dollars an ounce."

"Yes," answered the farmer. "I was interested when I first heard of it. But when they told me the price it sounded too much like a gold brick."

Life's Injustice.

Though poems may her fancy strike, The chap who tells and writes them, Ne'er moves a girl's affections like The fellow who recites them.

A Painful Experience.

"Are you still courting that handsome widow?" "I'm doing my best," was the rather disconsolate answer.

"Perhaps you are not sufficiently romantic. You want to sit in the moonlight and hold hands."

"I know it. But I can't manage it gracefully. You see, I was once a candidate for office and had to shake hands with hundreds of voters every day. When anybody reaches for my hand now I can't help shying."

What He Learned.

"Do you think that religion and politics can be made to harmonize?" "Yes," answered the man who had consented to become a candidate. "The first thing I learned from the campaign managers is that it is more blessed to give than to receive."

A Busy Man.

Our congressman's as smart a chap As any you can meet. I guess you'd run clean through the map And never find his seat.

He's allus round a-shakin' hands An' showin' folks the town, An' listenin' to 'em all the time, Without a single frown.

In belin' genial an' polite His day is mostly spent. I guess he mus' sit up at night To run the government.

Disinfection of Sleeping Cars.

From the New York Herald. The committee of the New Haven County Health Association has drafted some very sensible resolutions concerning the proper disinfection of railroads and berths on steamers. Each transportation company is requested to disinfect all cars after each round trip, to boil or steam all blankets, drinking cups and bed utensils, to boil bed linen and to sterilize all blankets and mattresses, in order that all lurking disease germs may be destroyed.

There is no question as to the utility of such a measure. It should apply not only to the state of Connecticut, but to every part of the country.

At present it is well conceded that the traveling public has no adequate protection against the dissemination of contagious and infectious diseases by careless and thoughtless passengers. A sick person may be harbored aboard a crowded steamer, be placed in a berth for the night, and no questions asked as to the character of the malady or the possibility of the transfer of infection to the next innocent and unsuspecting customer. Nor are there any set rules concerning the subsequent sanitary care of such quarters. In many instances they are simply locked and left for the next trip.

South's Prosperity.

From the Baltimore American. No section of the country has made greater material progress during recent years than the States of the Southern States. Substituting what is known as the old South. Wornout lands have been restored in many instances to more than their virgin fertility by the use of concentrated chemical fertilizers, crops are larger than in ante-bellum days, and there is now a diversity of production. In supplying the great eastern cities, as far north as Boston, with early strawberries and potatoes, and later with peaches and tomatoes, the Southern States have developed a new line of industries that bring back most likely a greater monetary surplus than cotton. The old credit system, in which crops were mortgaged before they matured, has been largely superseded by cash payment methods. Banks have been started in nearly every small town, and the trucker of twenty acres, as well as the cotton-grower of the plantation, has money on deposit.

Running Amuck.

From the Springfield Republican. The performances of the "wheat pit" speculators at Chicago are outrunning reason and the known facts of the situation. The morning newspapers of that city, disaster. The speculators, running wild, have achieved a new high record, and are out of sight of common sense and the basis of value.

Keeping Bryan on the Move.

From the Kansas City Journal. Four years ago John M. Bryan was beaten by the money devil. Now he is fleeing from the war god. Is there no peace for this good man?

Trolley Roads Everywhere.

From the Pittsburgh Gazette. Signs are not wanting that electric railroading is soon to take a much wider scope than the local systems of the East. It is becoming, if it has not already become, a rival to steam railroading. The suburban and interurban lines foreshadow the possibility of transcontinental systems.

Take Your Choice.

From the Boston Transcript. If Parker, Bryan and Cleveland all take the stump voters will be served with three kinds of democracy and may take their pick.

Always to Blame.

From the Chicago Post. The police say that the women's fashion of carrying handbags is responsible for the many hold-ups. As in the days of Adam—the woman is to blame.

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